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SUBJ: NEW CEMA APPROACH TO EUROPEAN COMMUNITY ON POSSIBLE

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COOPERATION

REF: A. MOSCOW 7676  
B. MOSCOW 7297

1. SUMMARY: ON SEPT 19 CEMA EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FADEYEV INFORMED FRENCH CHARGE IN MOSCOW OF CEMA SECRETARIAT'S RESPONSE TO EC COUNCIL MESSAGE ON POSSIBLE CEMA-EEC COOPERATION WHICH HAD BEEN PRESENTED BY FRG AMBASSADOR IN MOSCOW IN MAY. FADEYEV SAID THAT AFTER CAREFUL EVALUATION, CEMA COUNCIL HAD SENT LETTER TO EC PRESIDENT ORTOLI REQUESTING HIM TO COME TO MOSCOW TO MEET WITH CEMA OFFICIALS FOR TALKS ON COOPERATION. HE NOTED THAT CEMA INTERESTED IN SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL AS WELL AS ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND SUGGESTED EXCHANGES OF DOCUMENTS, AS ONE WAY OF BEGINNING. HE DESCRIBED LETTER TO ORTOLI AND CONVERSATION WITH FRENCH CHARGE AS FORMAL CEMA RESPONSE TO MESSAGE CONVEYED BY FRG AMBASSADOR EARLIER IN YEAR. NEW CEMA APPROACH TAKES PLACE AT TIME OF MOUNTING PUBLICITY IN SOVIET PRESS ABOUT WESTERN ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES AND ABOUT STRAINS AND DISSENSION WITHIN COMMON MARKET. END SUMMARY

2. IZVESTIYA SEPT 20 CARRIED BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENT OF SEPT 19 CALL BY FRENCH EMBASSY CHARGE D'AFFAIRES HUSSON ON CEMA EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FADEYEV TO DISCUSS "ESTABLISHMENT OF CONTACTS BETWEEN THE EEC AND CEMA." ALTHOUGH DETAILS OF FADEYEV-HUSSON MEETING HAVE BEEN VERY CLOSELY HELD, AND WE HAVE FOUND NO FURTHER MENTION IN PRESS, FOLLOWING ACCOUNT FROM ECONOMIC OFFICER OF AN EEC EMBASSY HAS BEEN OBTAINED - ON CONDITION THAT CONFIDENTIALITY BE MAINTAINED.

3. ON SEPT 18 FADEYEV CONTACTED FRENCH CHARGE AND REQUESTED THAT, AS DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVE IN MOSCOW OF COUNTRY NOW SERVING AS CHAIRMAN OF EC, HE COME TO SEE HIM FOR CONTINUATION OF DISCUSSION ON POSSIBLE EEC-CEMA COOPERATION WHICH HAD LAST TAKEN PLACE IN FADEYEV MEETING WITH FRG AMBASSADOR TO MOSCOW ON MAY 15 (REFTELS).

4. HUSSON CALLED ON FADEYEV MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 19 AT CEMA SECRETARIAT OFFICES. HE WAS VERY CORDIALLY RECEIVED BY FADEYEV WHO WAS ACCOMPANIED BY SEVERAL AIDES, MOST OF WHOM APPEARED TO BE SOVIET. FADEYEV SAID THAT EC COUNCIL MESSAGE WHICH HAD BEEN CONFIDENTIAL

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DELIVERED BY AMBASSADOR SAHM HAD BEEN CAREFULLY EVALUATED BY COMPETENT AUTHORITIES OF CEMA SECRETARIAT. IN CONSEQUENCE, A LETTER HAD BEEN SENT ON SEPT 18 FROM CEMA COUNCIL TO EEC PRESIDENT ORTOLI INVITING ORTOLI TO BRING A DELEGATION TO MOSCOW TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE CEMA-EEC COOPERATION. ALTHOUGH FADEYEV DID NOT DISCUSS ALL DETAILS OF LETTER, HE TOLD HUSSON THE COUNCIL HAD ADVISED ORTOLI THAT THEY WERE INTERESTED NOT ONLY IN CEMA-EEC ECONOMIC COOPERATION BUT ALSO IN SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL

COOPERATION. THEY HAD ALSO SUGGESTED THAT COOPERATION COULD BE INITIATED THROUGH EXCHANGES OF DOCUMENTS SUCH AS STATISTICS. THE CEMA COUNCIL HAD ALSO WELCOMED ANY SUGGESTIONS EEC COUNCIL MIGHT HAVE ON HOW COOPERATION MIGHT BE CARRIED OUT.

6. FADEYEV CLOSE THE CONVERSATION WITH REQUEST THAT HUSSON INFORM FRANCH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THEIR MEETING SO THAT IT COULD TRANSMIT THE INFORMATION TO EC COUNCIL. HE ALSO NOTED THAT HIS MEETING WITH HUSSON AND THE LETTER TO PRESIDENT ORTOLI SHOULD BE REGARDED AS A FORMAL RESPONSE TO MESSAGE CONVEYED BY FRG AMBASSADOR SAHM IN MAY. HUSSON AGREED TO REPORT THE MEETING TO PARIS.

7. SOURCE ALSO ADVISED THAT FRENCH WERE SURPRISED TO FIND THAT ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING WAS MADE IN SOVIET PRESS, SINCE FADEYEV MADE NO MENTION OF POSSIBLE PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT DURING MEETING.

8. COMMENT: THIS LATEST AND CHARACTERISTICALLY CORDIAL CEMA (READ SOVIET) APPROACH TO EEC FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF INITIAL, BLOC-TO-BLOC TIES IS MADE AGAINST A BACKGROUND OF STEADILY EXPANDING COVERAGE IN THE SOVIET PRESS OF WESTERN ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES, WITH PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO DISSENSION AND STRAINS INSIDE THE COMMON MARKET. IN FACT, BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENT OF FADEYEV-HUSSON MEETING IN SEPTEMBER 20 IZVESTIYA WAS OVER-SHADOWED BY SIX-COLUMN ARTICLE ON SAME PAGE WHICH DETAILED --WITH OBVIOUS RELISH--THE PROBLEMS AND SETBACKS CONFRONTING COMMON MARKET PLANS FOR FURTHER PROGRESS TOWARD A UNITED EUROPE.

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